

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATIONS BOARD

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

[49 CFR Part 173]

[Docket No. HM-33; Notice 69-25]

TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Cyanides or Cyanide Mixtures

The Hazardous Materials Regulations Board is considering amending § 173.370 of the Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations to authorize shipments of cyanides or cyanide mixtures in specification 17H metal drums.

Interested persons are invited to give their views on this proposal. Communications should identify the docket number and be submitted in duplicate to the Secretary, Hazardous Materials Regulations Board, Department of Transportation, 400 Sixth Street SW., Washington, D.C. 20590. Communications received on or before October 28, 1969, will be considered before final action is taken on the proposal. All comments received will be available for examination by interested persons at the Office of the Secretary, Hazardous Materials Regulations Board, both before and after the closing date for comments.

This proposal is based on experience gained under the terms of several special permits authorizing shipment of sodium cyanide in drums built to the 17H specification. No adverse shipping experience has been reported to the Department in connection with such shipments. The proposal is consistent with the authorized use of this type of drum for certain other class B poisons in solid form.

In consideration of the foregoing, it is proposed to add paragraph (a) (7) in § 173.370 to read as follows:

- § 173.370 Cyanides, or cyanide mixtures, except cyanide of calcium and mixtures thereof.
 - (a.) * * *
- (7) Spec. 17H (§ 178.118) metal drums. Gross weight not over 450 pounds.

This proposal is made under the authority of sections 831-835 of title 18, United States Code, section 9 of the Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1657) and title VI and section 902(h) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1421-1430 and 1472(h)).

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